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Dear Don:

Enclosed is a copy of a memorandum that I have just sent to ARPA. As you can see, we are requesting further work on the penetrability of MINUTEMAN, POLARIS and POSEIDON re-entry systems against the Moscow ABM system, upgraded SA-2 and SA-5 systems and these systems taken together. TRW has considerable expertise in conceptualizing ballistic missile systems; therefore, I am quite confident that they will be able to do a good job on the tasks that we would like to have performed.

We would appreciate your comments on our proposed work, and I certainly hope we will be able to proceed.

Sincerely.

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